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Summary of transactions of Service, etc.—Continued.

Number of bills of health issued during September, 1900	17
Number of bills of health issued during September, 1899	25
Number of vessels in quarantine during September, 1900	1
Number of passengers inspected during September, 1900 (incoming)	57
Number of passengers inspected during September, 1900 (in transit)	145
Number of crew inspected during September, 1900	444
Number of pieces of baggage disinfected during September, 1900	1
Number of vaccination certificates stamped during September, 1900	15
Number of immigrants inspected during September, 1900	4
Rejections	0

Inspection of immigrants at Ponce during the week ended October 6, 1900.

PONCE, P. R., *October 8, 1900.*

SIR: I submit herewith report of alien steerage passengers arriving at this port during the week ended October 6, 1900: October 4, French steamship *Salvador*, from Fort de France and St. Thomas, with 1 immigrant.

Respectfully,

W. W. KING,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Reports of immigrants inspected at the port of Ponce, P. R., during the month of September, 1900.

Total number of immigrants inspected, 4; number passed, 4; number certified for deportation on account of dangerous contagious or loathsome diseases or for other physical causes, none.

W. W. KING,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

Report of transactions at San Juan and subports during September, 1900.

SAN JUAN, P. R., *October 3, 1900.*

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report of transactions of the Service at this port and at the 6 subports of Porto Rico, for the month of September, 1900:

San Juan.—Number of vessels inspected 20, of which 19 were passed, and 1, the Spanish steamship *Cataluna*, arriving on the 18th from Havana via Central and South American ports, was held in quarantine and the baggage of the local passengers disinfected. The ship sailed the following day, 19th. Eighteen pieces of baggage were disinfected during the month.

The provisional steamer *Julia* arrived on the 20th. She had been disinfected at Havana as usual.

A telephone system from the city office to the island was installed during the month, and has proven to be a source of great convenience.

The steam launch was coppered during the month, as previously reported. The work was performed in a satisfactory manner, and the additional weight of the copper (some seven hundred pounds) tends to give her the necessary ballast, which would otherwise have been required, and materially steadies her.

The work of clearing up the grounds at the island and making sundry minor repairs and improvements has progressed as well as could be expected under the existing circumstances, the daily rains having retarded outdoor work somewhat.